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There is a link to the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People on the Diocese website at www.allentowndiocese.org

YEAROFREALPRESENCE.ORG



During this *Year of the Real Presence*, Bishop Schlert invites the faithful to join him in adoring Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament with adoration, prayer and penance.

MASSES (IN THE CHURCH)

Monday - Friday – 8AM (UNTIL 6/15)
Saturday – No Masses at this time.
Sunday – 9AM and 11AM (UNTIL 6/13)

HOLY DAYS AND ADORATION

Evening Before: 7PM | Day of: 9AM
Adoration – Tuesdays 8:30AM to 12PM

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

M-W 9AM-4PM | Mask is required.



SACRAMENTAL AND PARISH INFORMATION

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

In order to receive any Sacraments, you must be a REGISTERED PARISHIONER. Lavender census forms should be filled out as soon as possible to be considered an *Active Member* along with turning in envelopes. Please contact us with any changes so our records can be kept current. *If you are over 18, register under your own name.*

SACRAMENT TO THE HOMEBOUND

First Friday Communion calls are done the first week of the month. Please call the Rectory for arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM BAPTISM SPONSORS

Parents and Godparents will need to attend a class before the child's Baptism. An Information Form needs to be filled out by the parent and a Declaration Form filled out by the Godparents. Godparents must be at least 16 years of age, need to be an active, registered parishioners of OLHC or will need a letter of good standing from their current Parish. *Anyone requesting a Baptism for their child must be actively attending Church for at least 3+ months.*

AMAZON SMILES AND VENMO

Please look for us as *Our Lady Help of Christians Church* (make sure it says "Allentown, PA") and set us as your charity under smile.amazon.com. For Venmo (online payment), we are OlhcAllentown-Church, four digits 1870 (if it's your first payment).

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of God's
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SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

The process of preparation for the Sacrament of Matrimony within the Church takes at least six months so we encourage you to begin this process as soon as you become engaged. No marriage dates will be taken over the phone. Parents of those to be married cannot reserve a date for their adult children.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

At this time, Confession is every Sunday after 9AM Mass until 10:45AM, or call or email the Rectory for an appointment.

SPONSORSHIP CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY

Only Catholics who are fully-initiated, regularly attending Mass and, if married, done so validly in the Roman Catholic Church will receive Certificate of Eligibility. Just call the Rectory. *You must be actively attending Church for at least (3) months.*

LEGACY

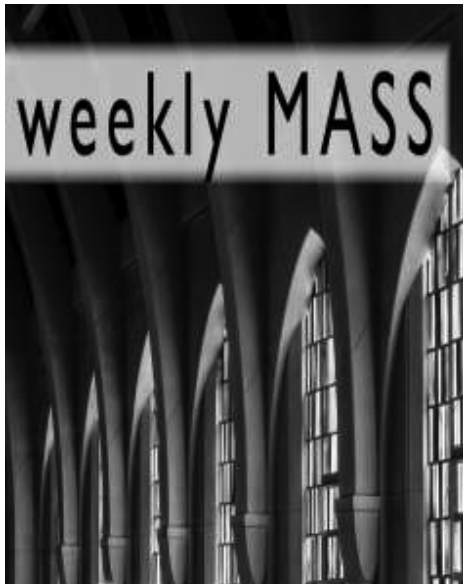
Gifts provided through wills and personal trusts can make such a difference in the continued operation of our Parish. These gifts enable a donor to make contributions that may not have been possible during their lifetime. If you value the continuity as well as the mission of OLHC, please consider this. Thank you!

6/6 Sunday Offerings: \$3,067
Debt Reduction: \$471
Other 2nd Collections: \$325

Thank you for your continued support and generosity as it is critical to our Church. Thank you for any increased offerings and thank you to all those who have continued to generously support our Parish financially through the 2nd Collection. Next week's 2nd collection (6/20) is for Maintenance Fund.

PETER PENCE COLLECTION 6/27

On June 27th, we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.



Effective June 15th, Rev. Msgr. William F. Bayer, Pastor of SS Simon & Jude, Bethlehem, will now be pastor of both Churches. Consequently, our Mass schedule will be altered and some Masses need to be eliminated. Daily Mass will be as follows:

8AM MASS

- Monday – OLHC
- Tuesday – SS Simon & Jude
- Wednesday – OLHC
- Thursday – SS Simon & Jude
- Friday – TBD (may be Saturday)

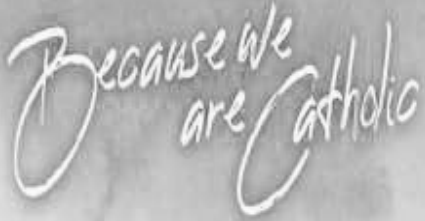
SUNDAY MASS

- 5PM (SAT) – SS Simon & Jude
- 9AM – SS Simon & Jude
- 11AM – OLHC

CONFESSION

Saturdays 4PM to 4:45PM – SS Simon & Jude

Should you attend Mass at SS Simon & Jude, your offering envelope will be credited to our parish. We understand change is never easy, but in order to grow both parishes, change is necessary. Both Father Rich and Monsignor Bayer pray that you will continue to be supportive of Our Lady of Christians, in both your weekly attendance at Mass and in all fundraising that is done in the future.



BECAUSE WE ARE CATHOLIC UPDATE

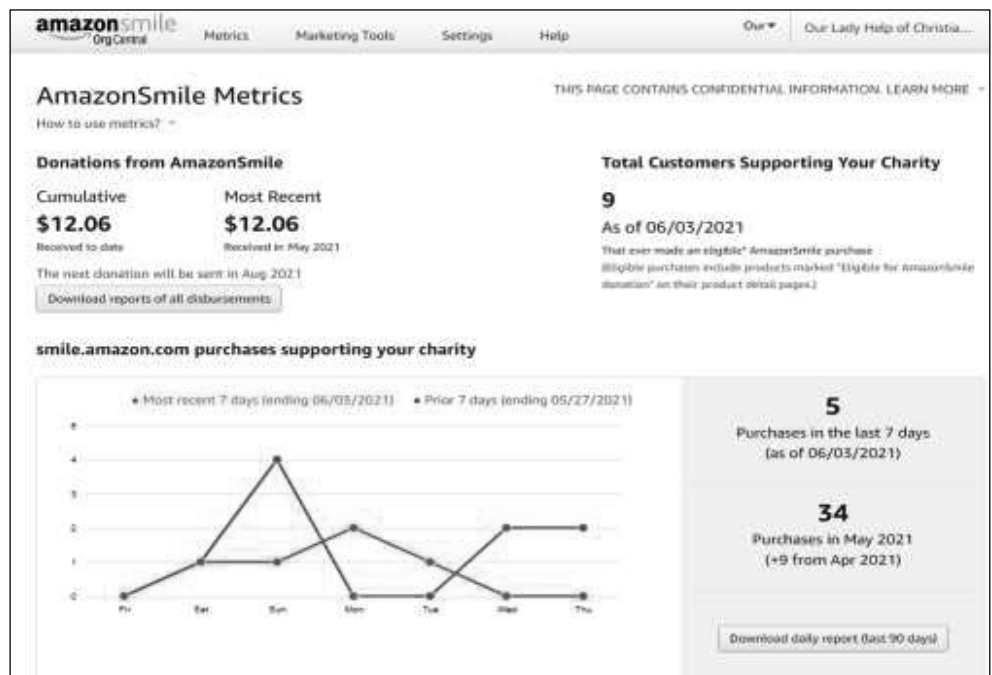
Pledges & One Time Gifts:	\$6,859
Amount Collected:	\$6,459
Average Gift:	\$428
Number of Donors:	16
Number of Reg. Families:	346
Participation Rate:	4.62%

We need the support of all of our parish families. If you have not made your pledge of support, you may return your pledge form to the parish or make your gift online. If you have any questions or would like to make a gift, please call the parish office or visit the Appeal website at BecauseWeAreCatholic.org.

NEXT WEEK ON THIS PAGE WE WILL HAVE FATHER'S DAY HONORS AND MEMORIUMS PRINTED. PLEASE TURN IN YOUR ENVELOPE BY TODAY TO BE MENTIONED. ALL ENVELOPES WILL BE PLACED ON THE ALTAR FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE.

Since we started AmazonSmile in January, we have received \$12.06, with 9 parishioners/friends designating us as their charity. We would love to have more!

Please consider using Our Lady Help of Christians (make sure it's the one in Allentown) as your designated charity. Prime Day is coming up on June 21 and will run through June 22. This is a great opportunity to increase our AmazonSmile donations by shopping for deals that day at smile.amazon.com.



Reading I: Ezekiel 17: 22-24

The prophet uses imagery of cedar trees to make his point. The “new twig” from the top of the cedar represents a future king from the House of David. The other cedars represent the kings of other nations.

Reading II: II Corinthians 5: 6-10

When we walk through life in faith, we are given needed courage, and our lives bear fruit. Thus do we become prepared for a favorable judgment by God.

The Gospel: Mark 4: 26-34

The metaphors in Our Lord’s parables allowed Him to speak about God and His kingdom in a way that got His hearers’ attention in ways other teaching techniques could not.

GOD BLESS YOU ON YOUR BIRTHDAY!

- 6/13 Lisbeth Tavares Garcia
- 6/16 Ethan Grab
- 6/17 Louise Strobl (91!), Esther Gyory, Grace Ganser
- 6/18 Elijah Heimbach
- 6/19 Helen Temmel (90!), Max Taveras

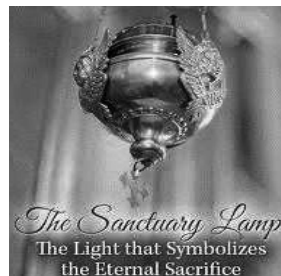
PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED SOULS WHO PASSED AWAY IN JUNE

6/1 – William Henning ('95), Gloria Stoneback ('09)	6/18 – Sally Ann Marino ('03), Anna Marie Drybola ('06)
6/2 – Dorothy “Dottie” Crokus (’17)	6/19 – Dolores Perinotto (’97), Louis “Pingy” Pagano ('07), Timothy Hunger ('20), Bernadine Muscovitch ('20)
6/3 – Hugh Craven ('10)	6/21 – Paul Novatnak ('98)
6/4 – Frederick Jerant ('09), Helen Gicking ('19)	6/22 – William Decker (’07), Theresa Unger ('14), Elvira Riccio ('18), Bernadine Follweiler ('18)
6/9 – Ernest Wreccics (’90), Frank Bryan ('09), Paul Kochanasz ('18)	6/23 – Leo Piplitsch ('15)
6/11 – Terrance Fritz ('07), Michael Boyle ('15), Claudio Lonardo ('16), William Gicking ('20)	6/24 – William Unger ('17)
6/13 – Sophie Maugg ('11), William O'Donnell ('12)	6/25 – Bertha Huber ('09)
6/14 – Rollin Hannis ('10), Richard Sokolsky ('13)	6/27 – Eleanor Hornak ('05)
6/15 – Mary Ann Kohn ('18)	6/28 – George Sverha (’11), Albert Minetola ('17)
6/16 – Andrew Neupauer ('17)	6/29- Joseph Mathis ('81), Patricia Baumgartner (’18)
6/17 – Joseph Borath ('00)	

P MASS INTENTIONS

JUNE	SUNDAY
13	†9AM – Ryan Zawada R/B Art & Sheila Breitfeld †11AM – Mark Brown R/B Rosanne Venditto
	MONDAY
14	†9AM –Anthony & Rose Venditto R/B Rosanne Venditto
	TUESDAY
15	<i>FATHER RICH'S LAST DAY</i> †8AM – Bill O'Donnell R/B Maureen Whitehead
	WEDNESDAY
16	<i>WELCOME MONSIGNOR BAVER</i> ♦8AM – Health of Tony Vigliotti R/B Kathy Godshall †8AM – Kenneth Stein Sr. R/B Isabel Stein
	THURSDAY
17	8AM Mass at SS. Simon & Jude Bethlehem
	FRIDAY
18	8AM Mass at SS. Simon & Jude Bethlehem
	SATURDAY
19	5PM Mass at SS. Simon & Jude Bethlehem
	TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY
20	<i>FATHER'S DAY</i> 9AM Mass at SS. Simon & Jude †11AM – All Fathers of the Parish Living or Deceased

Birthday ✨ Support ♦ Anniversary ♥ Memorial †



JUNE 13TH – JUNE 19TH

**The Candle Burns in Loving
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If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at www.ReportBishopAbuse.org or call 800-276-1562.

ENTRANCE – SING A NEW SONG

Refrain: Sing a new song unto the Lord; let your song be sung from mountains high.
Sing a new song unto the Lord, singing alleluia.

Verse 1: Shout with gladness! Dance for joy! O come before the Lord.
And play for God on glad tambourines, and let your trumpet sound.

Verse 2: Rise, O children, from your sleep; your Savior now has come.
He has turned your sorrow to joy, and filled your soul with song.

INTRODUCTORY RITE | PENITENTIAL RITE | ABSOLUTION | THE READINGS

READING 1

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

READING 2

GOSPEL

HOMILY | PROFESSION OF FAITH – NICENE CREED | PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

OFFERTORY – THE SUMMONS

Verse 1: Will you come and follow me if I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know and never be the same? Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,
Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Verse 2: Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same? Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

INVITATION TO PRAYER | EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER | THE PREFACE DIALOGUE | LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION – BLEST ARE THEY

Verse 1: Blest are they, the poor in spirit, theirs is the kingdom of God.
Blest are they, full of sorrow, they shall be consoled.

Refrain: Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you, holy are you!
Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!

Verse 2: Blest are they, the lowly ones, they shall inherit the earth.
Blest are they who hunger and thirst, they shall have their fill.

Verse 3: Blest are they who show mercy, mercy shall be theirs.
Blest are they, the pure of heart, they shall see God.

Verse 4: Blest are they who seek peace; they are the children of God.

COMMUNION | CONCLUDING RITES | MEMORARE

RECESSIONAL – CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT

Verse 1: Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see.

Refrain: Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

Verse 2: Longing for peace, our world is troubled, Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has power to save us. Make us your living voice.

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